FGM Pathway (multi-agency)

FGM risk identified
Routine enquiry, disclosure, country of origin, female children in family (including extended), girl talks about special celebration, physical observation during labour

Inform agency lead
Inform woman of concerns (unless jeopardising safety or criminal investigation)

Health staff
(Primary Care, acute & mental health NHS Trusts)
If FGM has occurred, it is mandatory that it is recorded in clinical health records including type if known

Female children involved? Including wider family

YES
Make referral to Children's Social Care
If risk imminent, inform police

NO but adult(s) with care and support needs at risk
Submit referral to Adult Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH).
If risk imminent, inform police

Not an adult with care and support needs or concern related to historic FGM
No action, sign post for information

Strategy meeting under Safeguarding Children procedures
Adults rep as required. Police must be involved

Safeguarding Adults procedures to be followed
Police must be consulted (children's services as required)

SUPPORT SERVICES

‣ NSPCC FGM Helpline: 0800 028 3550

‣ The Angelou Centre: 0191 226 0394

‣ The Halo Project: 01642 683 045 / 08081788424

‣ Foundation for Women's Health Research and Development (FORWARD): 0208 960 4000

■ Assessment enquiry / CIN or signpost to services
■ Alert / coding to records
■ Document details including type if known
■ All female children in extended family to be assessed as at potential risk

■ Concerns recorded and risks assessed. Threshold guidance identifies FGM as critical risk of harm;
■ Multi-agency strategy meeting should be held;
■ Safeguarding Adults Plan developed in response to identified risks to adult(s).